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## THE SANTA BARBARA MEETING.

The Committee on Scientific Program calls attention to the publication in this issue of the program for the State Meeting, to be held in Santa Barbara on the 15th, 16th and 17th of April. The members of the committee feel that the papers this year will prove of unusual interest, particularly those on War Surgery and Influenza. In addition there will be several addresses touching upon various phases of the physicians' relations to social problems and to business; topics of vital interest, and yet not ordinarily included in the programs of meetings of this character. The average practitioner is prone to act as though he believed that assiduous attention to the particular medical needs of the sick, who seek his consolation and advice, comprised his whole duty in life. He is apt to think that if he discharges such obligations carefully and well, he is entitled to the "Well done, good and faithful servant" of the Master. But, is he? Are there other debts which he owes to himself, to his family, to his profession and to society? The committee thinks that there are, and believes that a faithful attendance at the different sessions of the various sections will unfold to us a broader, clearer vision of the scope and possibilities of the work of the medical profession. Come and see for yourself. Reserve your hotel accommodations early.

## SPLENDID PROGRAM.

The annual meeting this year promises to surpass all its predecessors in the variety and profitable character of the convention program. The only regret that comes as one glances over the subject titles and names of the able authors of attractive scientific papers is that one must miss some of them, as we cannot divide ourselves and be in several places at the same time.

There is one unique feature of the program,

however, that all may attend. The League for the Conservation of Public Health has arranged a luncheon at the Potter Hotel for Wednesday, April 16th, to which all the Convention delegates are most cordially invited.

The League Luncheon program is as follows:

The prominence of the speakers and the importance of the subjects should insure the attendance of every delegate. We anticipate and prognosticate a most enjoyable and profitable League Luncheon.

### Introductory Address.

John H. Graves, M. D.,  
President of the League for the Conservation of Public Health.

### The Mission of the League.

Jas. Franklin Smith, M. D., San Francisco, Cal.  
The Correlated Activities of the League and the Medical Society of the State of California.  
Dudley Smith, M. D., Oakland, California.

### The Physician, The Public and Publicity.

Mr. Celestine J. Sullivan,  
Executive Secretary of the League.  
Public Health Laws and the Rights of the People.  
Hartley F. Peart, Counsel for the League.  
The Service of the Physician to Social Agencies.  
Hon. Wm. A. Beasley,  
President of the California State Conference of Social Agencies.

### Labor's Contribution to Health Conservation.

Hon. P. H. McCarthy,  
President State Building Trades Council of California.

### The Interest of Industry in Bigger Business and Better Health.

Hon. Joseph J. Tynan,  
Mgr. Union Iron Works and Vice-President Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd.

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM FOR GENERAL AND SECTION MEETINGS

## MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SANTA BARBARA,

April 15, 16, 17.

**Tuesday Morning**

9:00 o'clock.

Presidential address and reports.

**Tuesday Afternoon Session**

2:00 o'clock.

### MEDICAL SECTION

1. WILL THE WAR INFLUENCE THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AS A BUSINESS?

JOHN C. KING, Banning.

2. MEDICINE TODAY AND TOMORROW.

Discussion opened by T. C. Edwards.

RAY LYMAN WILBUR,

Stanford University.

3. CHILDREN'S YEAR WORK.

ADELAIDE BROWN, San Francisco.

4. PROGRESS IN THE CONTROL OF VENEREAL DISEASES IN CALIFORNIA.

Discussion opened by Langley Porter and E. C. Fleischner.

5. THE PROBLEM OF THE WOMAN VENEREAL DISEASE CARRIER.

LEWIS MICHELSON, Director,  
Bureau of Social Hygiene,  
California State Board of Health.

6. THE USE OF CAMPHOR AS A STIMULANT AND AS A PNEUMOCOCCICIDE IN PNEUMONIA.

ETHEL M. WATTERS, Sanitarian,  
Bureau of Social Hygiene,  
California State Board of Health.

### EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SECTION

1. AVIATION'S DEBT TO MEDICINE.

CHARLES G. STIVERS, Los Angeles.

2. PARALYSIS OF THE OESOPHAGUS WITH CASE REPORTS.

Discussion opened by George H. Willcutt.  
HARVARD McNAUGHT, San Francisco.

3. TRACHOMA.

HUGO KIEFER, Los Angeles.  
Discussion opened by Alexander Brown.

4. CANCER OF THE EAR, NOSE AND THROAT, AS WELL AS TUBERCULOSIS, LUPUS AND VARIOUS MINOR AFFECTIONS TREATED BY HIGH FREQUENCY CURRENT, WITH DEMONSTRATIONS OF CASES.

CULLEN F. WELTY, San Francisco.  
Discussion opened by Frederick J. Old.

5. WAR WOUNDS INVOLVING SINUSES OF HEAD WITH X-RAY PLATES.

HAROLD A. FLETCHER.

### GENITO-URINARY SECTION

1. NEPHROLITHIASIS; REPORT OF A RATHER UNUSUAL CASE.

WIRT BRADLEY DAKIN, Los Angeles.

2. CONSERVATIVE TREATMENT OF URETERAL CALCULI.

R. L. RIGDON, San Francisco.

3. ACRIFLAVINE IN THE TREATMENT OF GONORRHEA.

JOHN C. SPENCER San Francisco.

4. CLINICAL OBSERVATION AND TREATMENT OF CHRONIC PROSTATITIS.

L. P. PLAYER and C. P. MATHE,  
San Francisco.

5. CHRONIC URETHRITIS IN WOMEN.

H. WELLAND HOWARD, Los Angeles.

6. REFINEMENT OF COLORIMETRIC METHOD WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO INDIGO CARMINE AS A BLADDER TEST.

GEORGE G. REINLE and  
E. SPENCER DE PUY, Oakland.

7. TECHNIC OF THE UROLOGICAL HISTORY.

H. A. ROSENKRANZ, Los Angeles.

### Wednesday Morning Session

9:00 o'clock.

### MEDICAL SECTION

1. THE TREATMENT OF GONORRHEA AND SYPHILIS IN WOMEN.

WILLIAM E. STEVENS and

MAURICE HEPPNER, San Francisco.

2. THE USE OF CAMPHOR AS A STIMULANT AND AS A PNEUMOCOCCICIDE IN PNEUMONIA.

F. F. GUNDRUM, Sacramento.

3. THE INTENSIVE TREATMENT OF EPIDEMIC MENINGITIS.

DONALD J. FRICK, Los Angeles.

4. PULMONARY CONDITIONS WRONGLY DIAGNOSED AS TUBERCULOSIS.

WM. C. VOORSANGER, San Francisco.

5. THE USE OF INTRAVENOUS INJECTIONS OF SUBLIMATE IN THE TREATMENT OF SUPPURATING AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Discussion opened by S. H. Hurwitz and F. M. Pottenger.

6. INFECTIONS OF THE ORAL CAVITY AND THEIR RELATIONS TO SYSTEMIC DISEASES.

VICTOR G. VECKI, San Francisco.

H. C. BAGBY, Santa Barbara.

### SURGICAL SECTION

1. PERFORATED GASTRIC AND DUODENAL ULCER.

HARLAN SHOEMAKER, Los Angeles.

2. PATHOLOGIC INDICATIONS FOR CHOLECYSTECTOMY.

ANDREW S. LOBINGIER, Los Angeles.

3. PRESENT PROBLEMS IN APPENDICITIS.

Discussion opened by C. W. Anderson.  
W. L. HUGGINS, Los Angeles.

4. EMPYEMA.

GUY COCHRAN, Los Angeles.

5. TECHNIQUE OF THE USE OF CARREL-DAKIN SOLUTION.

HAROLD BRUNN, San Francisco.

6. SURGICAL TREATMENT OF SEQUELS OF INFLUENZA (EMPYEMA AND LUNG ABSCESS).

LEO ELOESSER, San Francisco.

### EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SECTION

1. SEPTIC MENINGITIS OF OTITIC ORIGIN. REPORT OF CASE.

EDWARD C. SEWALL, San Francisco.

2. MENINGITIS OF OTITIC ORIGIN. CASE REPORT.

Discussion opened by George W. McCoy.  
GEORGE S. WELLS, Santa Barbara.  
Discussion opened by C. R. K. Swetnam.

### 3. ABDUCENS PALSY—TRANSPLANTATION OF VERTICAL RECTI IN THREE CASES.

RODERIC O'CONNOR, Oakland.

Discussion opened by Lloyd Mills.

### 4. THE PATHOGENESIS OF PACHYMENINGITIS FOLLOWING NASAL OPERATIONS, WITH CASE REPORT.

ANDREW B. WESSELS, San Diego.

Discussion opened by Hill Hastings.

### 5. MALIGNANCY OF ETHMOIDS WITH CASE REPORTS.

P. A. JORDAN, San Jose.

Discussion opened by Frank A. Burton.

## GENITO-URINARY SECTION.

### 1. SURGICAL PATHOLOGY OF THE SEMINAL VESICLES.

J. R. DILLON and FRANK E. BLAISDELL, San Francisco.

### 2. STRICTURES AND OBSTRUCTIONS OF THE URETER WITH A METHOD OF RE-ESTABLISHING THE PATENCY OF THE URETER.

JAMES J. MOLONY, San Francisco.

### 3. THE TREATMENT OF CANCER OF THE PROSTATE.

FRANK HINMAN, San Francisco.

### 4. (a) CASE REPORT TWENTY YEARS AFTER A BOTTINI OPERATION.

(b) REPORT OF A CASE OPERATED UPON BY GERAGHTY'S METHOD OF TOTAL REMOVAL OF THE CANCEROUS PROSTATE.

GRANVILLE MACGOWAN, Los Angeles.

### 5. CONTRACTURE OF THE BLADDER NECK AND OTHER OBSTRUCTIONS THEREAT, EXCLUSIVE OF PROSTATIC HYPERTROPHY AND CANCER, AND THEIR TREATMENTS.

ROBERT V. DAY, Los Angeles.

## Wednesday Noon

### LUNCHEON BY LEAGUE FOR THE CONSERVATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

12:00 o'clock.

#### HOTEL POTTER

#### INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS.

JOHN H. GRAVES, M. D.,

President of the League for the Conservation of Public Health.

#### THE MISSION OF THE LEAGUE.

JAMES FRANKLIN SMITH, M. D.,

San Francisco, Cal.

#### THE CORRELATED ACTIVITIES OF THE LEAGUE AND THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

DUDLEY SMITH, M. D., Oakland, Cal.

#### THE PHYSICIAN, THE PUBLIC AND PUBLICITY.

MR. CELESTINE J. SULLIVAN,

Executive Secretary of the League.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS AND THE RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE.

HARTLEY F. PEART,

Counsel for the League.

#### THE SERVICE OF THE PHYSICIAN TO SOCIAL AGENCIES.

HON. WILLIAM A. BEASLEY,

President of the California State Conference of Social Agencies.

#### LABOR'S CONTRIBUTION TO HEALTH CONSERVATION.

HON. P. H. MCCARTHY,

President State Building Trades Council of California.

#### THE INTEREST OF INDUSTRY IN BIGGER BUSINESS AND BETTER HEALTH.

HON. JOSEPH J. TYNAN,

Mgr. Union Iron Works and Vice-President Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, L't'd.

The officers of the League extend a most cordial invitation to all members of the Medical Society of the State of California to attend this luncheon.

## Wednesday Afternoon Session

2:30 o'clock.

## MEDICAL SECTION

(Symposium on Influenza.)

### 1. ETIOLOGY OF THE RECENT RESPIRATORY PANDEMIC.

KARL MEYER, San Francisco.

### 2. A REPORT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO HOSPITAL ON INFLUENZA PNEUMONIA (40 minutes).

By the HOSPITAL STAFF.

### 3. A REPORT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ON INFLUENZA IN CHILDHOOD.

By the HOSPITAL STAFF.

### 4. "THE COMPLICATIONS OF THE INFLUENZA PANDEMIC OF 1918-1919 AS COMPARED WITH THE PANDEMIC OF 1889-1891.

HANS LISSER, San Francisco.

### 5. THE TREATMENT OF POST-INFLUENZA PNEUMONIA IN AN ARMY HOSPITAL.

W. W. ROBLEE, Riverside.

### 6. A CONSIDERATION OF THE METHODS USED IN THE CONTROL OF INFLUENZA.

W. H. KELLOGG, Secretary,  
California State Board of Health.

## EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SECTION

### 1. OPHTHALMOLOGICAL LESIONS DUE TO FOCI OF INFECTION WITH CASE REPORT.

LEON W. MANSUR, Los Angeles.

Discussion opened by Hayward G. Thomas.

### 2. THE MODERN MASTOID OPERATION.

FRANCIS M. SHOOK, Oakland.

Discussion opened by C. H. Montgomery.

### 3. THREE GENERATIONS OF FAMILIAL ANIRIDIA (FROM THE OPHTHALMOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

W. S. FRANKLIN and E. F. GLASER,  
San Francisco.

Discussion opened by W. H. Dudley.

### 4. HYSTERIA SIMULATING BRAIN TUMOR, WITH CASE REPORT.

HARRINGTON B. GRAHAM,  
San Francisco.

Discussion opened by Charles Lewis Allen.

## Thursday Morning Session

9:00 o'clock.

## MEDICAL SECTION

### 1. COMPARISON OF THE ACTION OF ROENTGEN RAYS AND RADIUM.

ALBERT SOILAND, Los Angeles.

### 2. SOME RECENT TENDENCIES IN THE DIAGNOSIS AND HANDLING OF CIRCULATORY DISORDERS.

EUGENE S. KILGORE, San Francisco.

### 3. AMINO ACIDS AND HYPERTENSION.

LORENA M. BREED, Pasadena.

### 4. HYPERTENSION.

W. C. ALVAREZ, San Francisco.

### 5. STUDY OF ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY CASES OF HYPERTENSION.

ROLAND CUMMINGS, Los Angeles.

Discussion opened by Joseph King.

### 6. INTESTINAL FLAGELLATES—A PLEA FOR THEIR PATHOGENICITY.

JOHN V. BARROW, Los Angeles.

## SURGICAL SECTION

1. BONE FORMATION AND BONE PATHOLOGY—LANTERN SLIDE DEMONSTRATION.  
LEONARD W. ELY, San Francisco.
2. A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF THE TREATMENT OF SIMPLE AND UNUNITED FRACTURES OF THE FEMORAL NECK.  
ELLIS JONES, Los Angeles.
3. THE TREATMENT OF COMPOUND FRACTURE OF THE FEMUR WITH A DEMONSTRATION OF THE USE OF THE THOMAS SPLINT IN SUCH CASES.  
C. W. ANDERSON, Los Angeles.
4. VOLKMANN'S PARALYSIS FOLLOWING WAR WOUNDS.  
REXWALD BROWN, Santa Barbara.
5. GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE ABDOMEN.  
REA SMITH, Los Angeles.
6. REHABILITATION OF CRIPPLES IN INDUSTRY.  
PHILIP KING BROWN, San Francisco.

## NEUROLOGICAL SECTION

1. WHEN A NEUROSIS BECOMES A HABIT.  
MILTON B. LENNON, San Francisco.
2. SOME SURGICAL ASPECTS OF CORD TUMORS.  
EMMETT RIXFORD, San Francisco.
3. EXPERIENCES WITH WAR NEUROSES.  
THOMAS G. INMAN, San Francisco.
4. INCREASED SPINAL FLUID PRESSURE AS AN INDICATOR OF MENINGEAL DISEASE—PAST OR PRESENT.  
HENRY G. MEHRTENS, San Francisco.
5. THE DIVERGENT WASSERMANN.  
RICHARD W. HARVEY, San Francisco.

## OBSTETRICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL SECTION

1. THE OBSTETRICAL SITUATION IN EUROPE.  
TITIAN COFFEY, Los Angeles.
2. TUBERCULAR PERITONITIS AND ITS RELATION TO GYNECOLOGY.  
W. O. HENRY, Los Angeles.
3. DERMOID CYST WITH MALIGNANT OVARIAN TUMOR.  
ALFRED BAKER SPALDING, San Francisco.
4. PREGNANCY AFTER UTERINE SUSPENSION.  
LUDWIG A. EMGE, San Francisco.
5. BRAIN SYMPTOMS IN TOXEMIA OF PREGNANCY.  
JOHN A. SPERRY, San Francisco.
6. RECENT RESULTS IN THE USE OF DUCTLESS GLAND PREPARATION IN THE PRACTICE OF OBSTETRICS.  
FREDERIC M. LOOMIS, Oakland.

### Thursday Afternoon Session

2:00 o'clock.

## MEDICAL SECTION

1. BORDERLINE TYPES OF SEBORRHOEIC DERMATITIS AND PSORIASIS.  
MOSES SCHOLTZ, Los Angeles.
2. A SCHEMATIC METHOD FOR ESTIMATING THE HEALTH STATUS OF THE RUNABOUT CHILD.  
C. EDGERTON CARTER, Los Angeles.
3. (TITLE NOT OBTAINED).  
MAJOR JOHN R. McDILL.
4. THE SYSTEMIC EFFECTS OF LOW OXYGEN PRESSURE ON THE AVIATOR AS BROUGHT OUT BY THE HENDERSON RE-BREATHING APPARATUS.  
LIEUT. JOHN R. KLEYLA, M. C., U.S.A.

## 5. VACCINE TREATMENT OF TYPHOID FEVER.

EDWARD VON ADELUNG, Oakland.  
Discussion opened by Frederick P. Gay.

## OBSTETRICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL SECTION

1. COMPARISON OF THE END RESULTS IN INTERMEDIATE AND SECONDARY PERINEorrhaphies.  
OLGA McNEILE, Los Angeles.
2. THE SPECIALTY OF OBSTETRICS; ITS PRESENT STATUS, IMPORTANCE AND POSSIBILITIES.  
HENRY P. NEWMAN, San Diego.
3. THE PROBLEM OF UTERINE CANCER.  
FRANK W. LYNCH, San Francisco.

### NOTICE.

The Santa Barbara Society offers a cup to the winner in the golf contests arranged for the first two days of the State Convention. Play will be an eighteen hole handicap on the links of the Le Cumbre Country Club.

ROBERT W. HARTWELL,  
Secretary.

## PERSONNEL OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES FOR 1919.

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**AN ODOROUS SITUATION.**

To the Editor:

Since your honorable Journal offers immunity to anybody who wants to knock in public, I will rid myself of a grievance which has rankled, and is rankling, in my bosom. Why should a city as large and fine as San Francisco, as rich and as patriotic, tolerate a garbage situation which stinks to high heaven? Why should San Franciscans be trodden underfoot by the Scavengers' Union and have their aesthetic pride and civic decency carried to the dump on malodorous garbage vans? Why does not the Department of Health, or the Police Department, or both together, take a hand in the matter, and insure decent garbage disposal? Why should scavengers be paid both by the city and by the householder, for a service that ought to be self-supporting? Is not garbage disposal a function of the health authorities? Again I ask, why?

Yours for modern health,

CITIZEN F.

Feb. 23, 1919.

Comment: Answers to these questions are left to readers

**A JUST COMPLAINT FROM A WOMAN PHYSICIAN.**

March 9, 1919.

To the Editor of the Journal:—The war is over. The days of accepting everything and of saying nothing are passed, but the day of reckoning is at hand. Lest the fires of our wrath become cooled, it seems fitting that we should express ourselves. What I should like to know is how the men of California, a free state, have stood for the treatment of the medical women by the War Department? When I think how patriotic they have felt when they have left their practices and gone to the front, many of them getting a salary such as they have never earned! But what have we done? We women physicians have been under fire in the front lines, in hospitals working day and night with bombs falling all around. We have given without a thought of a reward our everything to our country, our health, our wealth and, I might say, our hopes of happiness. I do say our hopes of a comfortable and peaceful old age. And what has been our return? We have been treated as nurses' aids,—neither fish nor fowl,—neither privates nor officers. We have worked side by side with the men, and by day and by night, in sickness and health, and for what reward? None from our grateful (?) government. Some perhaps from a sense of work well done. But what fools we women are. When I think of that fatuous turncoat at the head of the war department's medical office, kissing the ladies' hands on one side and handcuffing them on the other,—when I think of Dickinson of Brooklyn, who belongs to the dark ages, trying to prevent the women physicians from asking the senators to fight for their rights in Congress, and when I realize what an amazing pussy-footer Franklin Martin has proved himself, I am disgusted with any woman who has been so readily fooled, and then when I opened the A. M. A. Journal today and saw the death notice of Dr. Mary Walker who received a commission (vide the A. M. A.) as lieutenant in our Civil War in the early sixties, I marvel how we women have

operation with the state in the care of orphan children mentioned above.

This is, in outline, the scheme of public poor relief in California. The State Board of Charities and Corrections is the state agency for investigating and standardizing all county institutions and the expenditure of all public moneys for the care and maintenance of dependents and delinquents.

County relief methods are far from uniform and most are unsystematized and indiscriminate. Alameda, Los Angeles, Fresno, San Mateo, Sonoma, San Bernardino, and San Francisco counties are among those counties doing more than granting material relief; they are working constructively by providing in addition skilled ministry to wants which are beyond the power of material relief to supply. They are using all public and private agencies to upbuild the health, education, morals, industry and living standards of the less fortunate in their communities, as well as providing the necessities of food, shelter and clothing. Space will not permit detailed discussion of each of these counties and they all differ in some branches of their relief methods.

Intelligent, constructive treatment of its dependents is a county problem than which there is none more important in relation to the future welfare of the community. To plan wisely involves a knowledge of the facts concerning each individual case so that the best remedy can be applied. Good relief work is not palliative but curative. The advantage of public relief over that administered by private agencies lies in its possibilities for wider outlook and abilities to correlate better the needs and resources of the community.

To make effective this advantage and at the same time safeguard it from perils of misuse or loss of personal interest, there should be at least one trained social worker connected with the relief work in each county. A program for future progress in county government should work toward these objectives:

1. Trained workers as
  - (a) Probation officers.
  - (b) Relief agents.
  - (c) Hospital superintendents and employees.
  - (d) Health officers.
2. Organization of the county social work: An unpaid commission or department to appoint paid employees and handle all public relief and welfare problems.
3. Co-operation.
  - (a) Between county and state authorities.
  - (b) Between probation, relief, health, and child welfare agencies in the county.
  - (c) Between counties; e.g., joint tuberculosis sanatoria, prison camps, health officers, transportation of indigents, etc.
4. Budget system: A modern system of budgeting county expenditures, apportioning adequate amounts to the various social agencies.
5. Employment of prisoners: On roads, levees, farms, quarries, etc., by single counties or by groups of counties and cities.
6. Boarding homes for children: Development of a boarding-out system of supervised foster homes through relief officers, juvenile courts, and private charities.
7. Charities endorsement: Control of all appeals made to the public for philanthropic purposes.
8. Extension of Health Service.
  - (a) Co-operation with other counties to secure trained health officers and visiting nurses; and to put into effect preventive public health measures such as those pertaining to isolation, sanitation, housing, etc.
  - (b) Out-patient work in county hospitals, county clinics and dispensaries; care of the sick in their own homes.

(c) Intelligent and humane treatment of the tubercular.

9. Humane care of the insane by
  - (a) Detention in hospitals instead of jails.
  - (b) Examination by expert alienists.
  - (c) Treatment of incipient cases.
  - (d) Informal court hearing in hospital.
  - (e) Transportation by trained attendants.
10. Full-time service of hospital superintendents, physicians, relief agents, probation officers, and other social workers so far as the extent of the work in the several counties demands.
11. Merit system of appointment taking social service out of politics.

## New Members

Brown, H. A., San Francisco.  
 Donovan, Monica, San Francisco.  
 Dunn, R. H., San Francisco.  
 Wood, Lorin F., Sr., Point Loma.  
 Hulbert, Robt G., San Diego.  
 Young, J. H., San Diego.  
 Hart, Trusten M., Los Angeles.  
 Brennan, T. F., Los Angeles.  
 Saylin, A. J., Los Angeles.  
 Opdyke, Ralph, Los Angeles.  
 Parker, W. B., Los Angeles.  
 Whitney, Eugene W., Los Angeles.  
 Myers, Laura T., Hollywood.  
 Canby, Charles B., Van Nuys.  
 Jacobson, H. P., Los Angeles.  
 Scholtz, Moses, Los Angeles.  
 Turner, W. D., Long Beach.  
 Forsythe, J. Steele, San Bernardino.  
 Joy, H. T., Redlands.  
 Benners, James W., San Bernardino.

## Deaths

Maxson, Willis H. A graduate of the University of Michigan, 1883. Licensed in California 1888. Died in Oakland, February 4, 1919, after a month's illness.

Mish, Sol. C. A graduate of Kentucky School of Medicine, 1892. Licensed in California 1893. Died in San Francisco March 3, 1919.

Rhyen, Walter Wesley. A graduate of Starling Medical College, Ohio, 1903. Licensed in California, 1912. Died in La Vina, California, February 18, 1919. Age 46.

Tilden, Adelbert D. A graduate of the Eclectic Medical Institute, Cincinnati, 1876. Died in Riverside, Calif., January 11, 1919.

Carter, James M. G. A graduate of Chicago Medical College, Ill., 1880. Licensed in California 1912. Died in Los Angeles March 3, 1919. Age 75.

Couture, A. N. A graduate of the Hahnemann Medical College, San Francisco, 1894. Licensed in California 1895. A member of the Medical Society State of California. Died December 26, 1918, Auburn, Cal.

Cunningham, Arthur Lee. A graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, 1890. Licensed in California 1890. Died in Oakland, California, March 1, 1919. Was a member of the Medical Society, State of California.

Darling, O. A. A graduate of Eclectic Medical College, Ohio, 1882. Licensed in California 1896. Died in Loma Linda, Cal., January 21, 1919.

Hubbel, Harriet H. H. A graduate of Cooper Medical College. 1890. Licensed 1890. Died in San Francisco February 16, 1919. Age 72.

Latimer, Jay Amherst. A graduate of Cleveland College Physicians and Surgeons, Ohio, 1898. Licensed in California 1916. Died in Claremont, California, January 24, 1919. Was a member of the Medical Society, State of California.